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09/871,353	05/30/2001	Franco Cipriani	13706

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FORMALITIES LETTER



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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.
A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

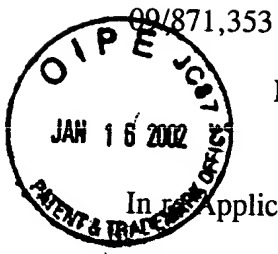
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Serial No.: 09/871,353) Examining Attorney: to be assigned
Filed: May 30, 2001)
For: Functionalized Thiophene Oligomers)
and Their Use As Fluorescent)
Markers (as amended)) Pasadena, California

RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING
PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION
Filing Date Granted

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ATTENTION: BOX MISSING PARTS

In response to a "Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application,
Filing Date Granted" dated August 2, 2001, the Applicants provide the following with this
letter:

1. Two checks, one for \$65.00 to cover the late filing of a Declaration and the
second for \$55.00 for a one month extension of time to respond, from October 2, 2001 to

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November 2, 2001 for a small entity;

2. A Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney from the Applicants;
3. A Request For Corrected Filing Receipt;
4. A Preliminary Amendment;
5. Formal Drawings; and
6. A copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application,

Filing Date Granted.

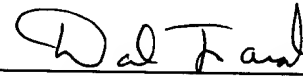
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Respectfully submitted,

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TRANSMITTAL OF FORMAL DRAWINGS

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Enclosed are three sheets of formal drawings to replace the informal drawings originally filed in the above-identified application. Each sheet of drawing indicates the serial number on the reverse side of the drawing.

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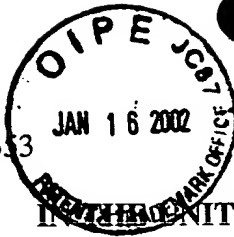
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REQUEST FOR CORRECTED FILING RECEIPT

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ATTENTION: BOX MISSING PARTS

Enclosed with this Request is a copy of the Filing Receipt for the above-identified United States patent application. Please note that Applicants are a small entity. Also enclosed with the Request is a Preliminary Amendment changing the title of this application

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to "Functionalized Thiophene Oligomers and Their Use as Fluorescent Markers."

Please issue a Corrected Filing Receipt listing the Applicants as a small entity and with the title of the application as amended.

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Receipt is acknowledged of this nonprovisional Patent Application. It will be considered in its order and you will be notified as to the results of the examination. Be sure to provide the U.S. APPLICATION NUMBER, FILING DATE, NAME OF APPLICANT, and TITLE OF INVENTION when inquiring about this application. Fees transmitted by check or draft are subject to collection. Please verify the accuracy of the data presented on this receipt. If an error is noted on this Filing Receipt, please write to the Office of Initial Patent Examination's Customer Service Center. Please provide a copy of this Filing Receipt with the changes noted thereon. If you received a "Notice to File Missing Parts" for this application, please submit any corrections to this Filing Receipt with your reply to the Notice. When the USPTO processes the reply to the Notice, the USPTO will generate another Filing Receipt incorporating the requested corrections (if appropriate).

Applicant(s)

Franco Cipriani, Residence Not Provided;

Domestic Priority data as claimed by applicant

Foreign Applications

ITALY BA2000A000020 05/31/2000

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Projected Publication Date: To Be Determined - pending completion of Missing Parts

Non-Publication Request: No

Early Publication Request: No

Title

Fluorescent markers comprising functionalized thiophene oligomers

Preliminary Class

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Data entry by : TESFAYE, ALEM

Team : OIPE

Date: 08/02/2001

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Title 35, United States Code, Section 184
Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, 5.11 & 5.15**

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